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In June 1912, a pleasant valley in southeastern Alaska suddenly burst forth in one of the most remarkable eruptions known to man, forming a vast area of steaming fissures.

Across the head of the Valley stands a long line of volcances, whose steam columnide distraveler to the marvels

's steam column. 1.

A wild and agged pass overhung with majestic mountains, glaciers, leads up to the active area.

- Claciers on side of Valley. 2.
- Climbers silhouetted against clouds. 3.

Surmounting a rise, there comes into sight a great area filled with volcances as far as the eye can reach.

General view across Valley. 4.

## THE VALLEY OF TEN THOUSAND SMOKES

No photograph can more than suggest the wonder and grandeur of this sight. The nearest fumarole is a mile away, the farthest twelve miles off.

- 5. Steam in front of Novarupta.
- 6. Panorama Valley of Ten Thousand Smokes.
- 7. Single bright fumarole against dark background.

Gigantic fumaroles are always on exhibition. Year in and year out they pour forth columns of never ending steam.

8. Four big fumaroles.

Peering into the one marvels at the titanic for the rolling clouds of super-heated vapor, three times as hot a and heavily charged with oflouric acid.

9. Rolling clouds of steam from big fumaroles.

When it emerges, the steam is perfectly clear, condensing in feathery wisps which thicken into heavy clouds in the cold air.

10. Steam condensing as it comes out of a big fumarole.

Novarupta, a volcano born with the Smokes. Its throat is pluged with steaming lava, piled high as a fifteen story building.

11. Novarupta.

Taking the temperature of a cool fumarole.

- 12. Descending into a cavernous fumarole.
  - that is only boiling hot.
- 13. Climbing out of a fumarole.

Gulleys cut by intermittent streams have topped many fumaroles and become sizzling infernos of sulphurous steam extremely difficult to explore.

14. Steaming gulley.

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15. Gathering cook as in side of gulley.

Often the pressure beneath the ground forces steam out of crevice.

16. Party working among small fissures.

A new fumarole may be made by poking a hole through the crust.

17. Making new fumaroles by poking a hole in the crust.

### Experimenting with a par of lead.

- 18. Bending bar of lead.
  - to see if the steam is hot enough to melt it.
- 19. Lead melts and drips off.

Instruments that prove that many fumaroles are more than twice as hot - nearly 1200° Farenheit.

20. Melting lead drops off in chunks.

After heavy rains water collects in some of the mild

- 21. Mud pot #1.
- 22. Mud pot #2.

The floor of the Valley is so hot the mud pots quickly become steamers again.

- 23. Mud pot 73.
- 24. Tent with Old Glory and flag of the Geographic Society.
- 25. Close up of flags.

Down to the very edge of the hot valley come the snow drifts, with a covering of volcanic ash, blown on by the wind.

26. Man comes up to snow drift from camp and begins to dig.

Drinking water secured from melted snow is free from the contamination of poisonous chemicals.

- 27. Close up digging s now, ending by carrying it back to the tent.
- 28. Putting the pot of snow in a fumarole.

What chance has a snowball in Hades?

29. Pot of Burying \_ t in a natural fireless of

30. Burying not of in the hot ground

31. Party coming up to fumarole to fry bacon.

32. Frying bacon over fumarole.

Sizzling immediately.

33. Close up fry path in mouth of funarole.

The pan has to be held down against the outrush of steam.

Frying bacon over the fumarole cont

Back pressure makes the bacon fly.

35. Bacon flies out of pan.

34.

- 36. Frying bacon man in forsground stirs batter.
- 37. Mixing a flapjack, close up.
- 38. Tossing a flapjack in the fumarole.

Water poured into the funarole is instantly vaporized.

39. Water poured into funarole vaporizes instantly.

In all the world there is no natural marvel at all comparable to that of the Ten Thousand Smokes.

- 40. Panorama, Novarupta from crater rim.
- 41. Mt. Martin's column of steam against sky.

Trailer - seal of National Geographic Society.



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